adverse claimant or claimants, or the person or persons who, it is claimed, has or have some hostile outstanding right, be a nonresident or nonresidents, the provisions of article 16, Sec. 148, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition) shall apply to such proceedings provided, however, that the only relief sought in said proceedings be a decree that the plaintiff has absolute ownership, and the right of disposition, of said lands, and an injunction against the assertion by the persons named as parties defendant of their said claim by any action at law, or otherwise; and it is further provided, that any person who appears of record, or claim or is claimed to have any such hostile outstanding right, shall be made a defendant in said proceedings [; and that it is further provided, that the provisions of article 16, Sec. 155, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), shall apply as to such defendants.

- In all cases in chancery where a [non compos mentis, or] person paralyzed or totally disabled or incapacitated to such an extent that he is incapable of managing his affairs, owns property in this State and is a nonresident, and a guardian, committee, trustee, conservator or other fiduciary has been appointed for said [lunatic or person in a foreign jurisdiction, either with respect to his real or personal property, and has qualified under the authority of a competent tribunal in said foreign jurisdiction, an exemplified copy of such qualification and appointment shall be full proof in the courts of this State of the legality of the appointment and qualification of such guardian, committee, trustee, conservator or other fiduciary, and the court, upon a bill or petition of such guardian, committee, trustee, conservator or other fiduciary, shall order a sale or sales of the property of such [non compos mentis, or] person located within this State, if it shall appear to the court to be for the best interest of such [non compos mentis, or] person, either at public or private sale, but before a confirmation of such sale shall be made it shall affirmatively appear to the court that a notice to creditors, in the usual form followed in equity, to file claim, if any they have, has been given by public notice in one or more newspapers published in the city or county where the property lies, for at least thirty days, and in all other matters and things the usual practice as to sales in equity shall be followed. After the audit has been stated and confirmed the court shall, upon proper application by the guardian, committee, trustee, conservator or other fiduciary, direct that the net proceeds of any sale or sales be transferred to the foreign jurisdiction wherein the [non compos mentis, or] person resides and the guardian, committee, trustee, conservator or other fiduciary was appointed.
- SEC. 9. And be it further enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Sections 1, 33 34 and 42 of Article 17 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Clerks of Courts", subtitle "General Duties of Clerks"; and Section 57 of Article 17 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition). title "Clerks of Courts", sub-title "Clerk of Court of Appeals", be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:
- 1. Every clerk shall have the custody of the books and papers pertaining to his office, and shall carefully keep *current* and preserve the same; he shall file all papers delivered to him to be filed, and shall record all judgments, decrees, deeds and writings which by law are required to be recorded in the office of which he is clerk;